

Warhol Patterns

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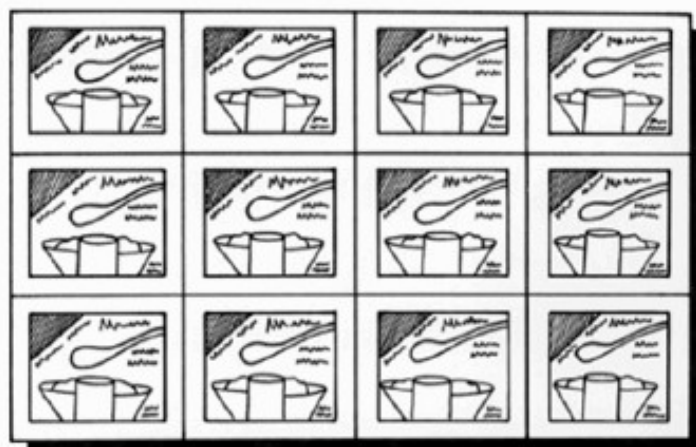
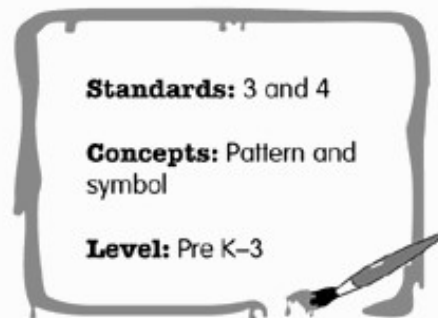
Children will discover some of the sources of Andy Warhol's art as they create a Warhol-inspired collage.

Materials:

large thick white paper, paints, paintbrushes, water and containers, labels from soup cans and other products, glue, safety scissors

Preparation:

Peel the labels off several soup cans of the same type (if possible).



Procedure:

Look at some of Andy Warhol's prints with your child, including *Campbell's Soup Can (Tomato)* in *JumpStart Artist* and *Brillo Box*. Explain that Andy Warhol took things that we see every day as the subject matter for his art. He changed the objects somewhat and repeated them in a pattern. Your child will use soup can labels and different colors of paint to create a picture in Andy Warhol's style. Help her divide a large sheet of paper into square or rectangular sections that are large enough for a soup can label. Then help her cut the labels to fit. She can then glue them on the paper in a pattern. When a number of labels have been glued down, encourage her to paint each label with a different color of watered-down paint.

Simplify:

Young children can create collages with soup can labels and other labels. Simply provide them with glue and labels to paste on construction paper or cardboard.

Artist Tie-in:

In Andy Warhol's art, common objects like soup cans and Brillo boxes, and portraits of celebrities like Marilyn Monroe and Elvis Presley are repeated over and over again. In most cases, he changes the colors somewhat or simplifies the design. A celebrity in his own right, Warhol also produced motion pictures and hosted television shows.

Just for Kids:

Look at some of Andy Warhol's pictures. They don't look too different from the real thing, do they? In some cases, the only thing that changes is the color. Because Warhol liked popular subjects, such as Marilyn Monroe and Mickey Mouse, his art is called Pop Art. You can create art like Andy Warhol's by gluing soup can labels on paper in a pattern and painting each label a different color.

Resources:

Web:

The Andy Warhol Museum www.clpgh.org/warhol/

Book:

Andy Warhol by Mike Venezia

